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NODIS CHEROKEE

FOR EAGLEBURGER FROM BROWN

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: APER

SUBJ: INTERIM

REF : STATE 91628

1. I SUGGEST FRANK PICK A GOOD DCM AND GET HIM OUT HERE RIGHT AWAY. HE SHOULD GET THE RIGHT TYPE OF DCM: COOL, UNDERSTANDING OF FAMILY SEPARATION, AND CAPABLE OF RUNNING THE SHOW FIRMLY WHEN FRANK IS AWAY.

2. THERE IS A HANDFUL OF GOOD MEN HERE ON WHOM I RELY COMPLETELY: WARING, ACTING DCM WHO LEAVES IN LATE SPRING; CLAIR GEORGE, WHOM BOTH MAC AND I THINK IS SUPERB; NAT HOWELL, WHOM I HAVE MOVED INTO FRONT OFFICE. IN ADDITION, TELFORD AND WATERMAN ARE STRONG.

3. NEW DCM CAN LEAN VERY HEAVILY ON THESE MEN AND THUS HAVE A RUNNING START. WARING IS MOST KNOWLEDGABLE AND HAS ACCESS FROM RIGHT TO LEFT. TOO BAD SYSTEM HAS SELECTED HIM OUT. OTHERS HAVE CONFIDENCE IN WARING. HE CAN RUN THE SHOW FOR A WHILE, IF THAT'S NECESSARY, AND WILL DO IT BETTER THAN GEORGE.

4. I'M MOST DOUBTFUL OF EITHER THE WISDOM OR POSSIBILITY OF MY HANGING ON HERE UNTIL SOMETIME IN MAY. IT IS NOT  
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REPEAT NOT POLITICALLY WISE. IT IS TOO EASY FOR

THE ALLEGED ENVOY TO BECOME THE SCAPEGOAT FOR EVERYTHING  
THAT GOES WRONG. THE WAY THE SYRIAN PRESS, BAATHISTS,  
SAIQA AND OCCASIONALLY PLO ARE BRACKETING IN ON ME IS  
A SIGN OF WHAT IS TO COME. LOOK AT THE SYRIAN-PLO  
COMMUNIQUE WHEN IT COMES OUT LATER TODAY TO SEE WHAT  
I MEAN.

5. I FRANKLY SUGGEST I BE CALLED HOME ON CONSULTATION  
SOON. THIS WILL NOT REPEAT NOT BE REGARDED HERE AS  
ESPECIALLY DRAMATIC. IT IS ENTIRELY WITHIN M.E.  
TRADITION TO GO HOME TO REPORT. THAT'S THE WAY THEY  
DO IT. TALK THIS OVER WITH H.A.K. AND LET ME KNOW.  
BROWN

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